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WASHINGTON NOTES.

The Privileges of the Floor of the Senate Denied to Pinchback.

A Tilt Between Lamar and Blaine, in Which the Ex-Speaker Was Fairly Overthrown by the Mississippians.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—Wolf not Jacobs, the witness before the Naval committee, testified that S. P. Brown paid two Navy department clerks five thousand dollars for altering figures. The Naval committee sent for ex-Senator Cottrell to state what he knows about the connection between Congressman Hays, of Alabama, and a check for three thousand dollars for a cadetship.

The evidence of Wolf does not implicate Secretary Robeson or any member of his family.

Wolf's testimony has not removed the presumptions created by the refusal of Brown's clerk to answer the questions of the naval affairs committee relative to payments of money to influence persons connected with the Navy Department, and still gives impetus to stories of important disclosures in that direction. The report current yesterday that a Republican lawyer of this city, appeared privately before the Republican members of a House committee and gave information which will cause the disgraceful retirement of another cabinet officer, is still current but denied by the Republicans.

Mr. Ferry, of Michigan, President pro tem of the Senate, has caused the doorkeepers to be notified that Pinchback, the claimant of the vacant Louisiana seat, is no longer entitled to the privileges of the floor of the Senate. Although Pinchback was refused admittance to the seat in the Senate by a vote thirty-two yeas to twenty-nine nays, the action of Mr. Ferry is thought harsh and hasty, especially as the poor fellow's case comes up again on a motion to reconsider. The election committee, with three dissenting voices, had reported in favor of seating him.

Belknap has waived an examination and given bail for twenty-five thousand dollars. In the debate in the House on Mr. Clymer's question of privileges the other day, the discussion took a wide range, and excitement at times became intense, culminating in a tilt between Lamar and Blaine, in which the latter placed himself at a disadvantage and was fairly overthrown by the Mississippians. The main objection to obedience to the subpoena was that the only possible result of the prosecution of evidence in possession of the committee to the grand jury would be an indictment, not against Belknap, but against Marsh, and hence the action of the District Court was emphatically denounced as part of a plan to frighten witnesses into silence or flight.

The Western Republicans are pleased with the appointment of Judge Taft, of Cincinnati, as Secretary of War, but those from the East think that a man of more National reputation would have been better for the administration at this time. Judge Taft has never held any office except that of a local Judge.

During the past month, in South Carolina, the operations of a revenue agent resulted in the breaking up of thirty-three illicit distilleries, the capture of twenty-eight copper stills, caps and worms, 48,000 gallons of mash and beer, and the arrest and binding over for trial of forty-four illicit distillers.

The bill introduced by Senator Ingalls to extend the jurisdiction of this Court of Claims provides that this tribunal shall determine and adjudicate what compensation shall be paid by the United States for taking and using in the public service an invention of improvements patented by any citizen.

The Turkish Legation is authorized to deny the reports that the insurgents had been successful in Herzegovina; that the Turkish troops had nothing to eat but dry bread; that Christians had been murdered in Bosnia; and that the new reforms promulgated throughout the Empire had not been enforced in Thessalia and in Epirus.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Coak & Cheek of Atlanta, Georgia, have failed. Liabilities supposed to be \$300,000.

An unknown one-armed man attempted to board a morning freight train at Gallatin, Arkansas, fell, and broke his neck.

A dispatch from Davenport, Iowa, says navigation is now open to Dubuque. This is the earliest season for ten years, though the ferry-boat has been running there nearly all winter.

Harry Clayton, one of the most noted professional gamblers and fast men of Omaha, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for the robbery of a woman of the demi-monde at that place last fall.

Governor Irwin, of California, has revoked the requisition for Perrin H. Sumner, held by New York authorities. The Governor has been led to believe that Osbourne, on whose affidavit the requisition was issued, perjured

himself in the affidavit, and is holding Sumner for his private ends.

The banks are hoarding fractional currency in anticipation of the change famine.

Charles H. Gardner, grocer, of Louisville, Kentucky, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday. Assets estimated at \$95,000; liabilities \$229,000.

The Arkansas State Colored Convention met at Little Rock yesterday and appointed sixteen delegates to the Colored National Convention, which meets April 5.

John Larkin, a prominent lumberman of Midland, Michigan, who recently failed in business, was Treasurer of Midland county. His accounts have been investigated by the Supervisors, and a shortage of \$22,000 discovered. He was arrested and admitted to bail.

Henry C. Bowen has received a copy of the charges preferred against him last week by the Examining Committee of Plymouth church, with summons to appear before the committee appointed by the church to examine the charges.

The Standard's Vienna dispatch says horrible accounts of Turkish cruelties continue to arrive from Bosnia. One thousand two hundred Turks attacked the Christian inhabitants of the town of Crupa last Sunday, murdering many and plundering shops.

A severe storm has prevailed through California for several days past. The rivers are very high but no serious damage is reported. Crop prospects are excellent, promising larger yield of grain than any previous year with continuance of favorable weather.

The town of Champaign, Illinois, is shocked by the death of a young man named Clark. His body was found in his father's yard, with his face frozen fast in the ground. He had been subjected to convulsions and probably fell in a fit.

The Phelps murder trial was concluded at Columbus, Ohio, yesterday, by the acquittal of the accused, Leonard Phelps. Phelps was indicted by the Grand Jury for murder in the second degree for killing his uncle at Westerville, last fall. The verdict of the jury is a great surprise.

The suit of George P. Bemis, of Omaha, vs. the Credit Foncier American, for salary as secretary, was yesterday decided in favor of Bemis whereby he gets some \$12,000. Bemisnow proposes to sue George Francis Train for about \$40,000 which he claims is due as back pay as secretary to the next President of America.

Colorado sends greeting to St. Louis. Direct railroad communication, via the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe road, has been established. There was a grand celebration throughout Southern Colorado. Mayor Rice welcomed the visitors, and various responses were made. A grand procession and magnificent banquet took place; also an imposing torchlight procession and fireworks at night.

Heiser & Co., bankers of New York, deny in toto the statement attributed to Fred Mitchell, of Kansas City, to the effect that they stated President Grant received a gold draft for twenty thousand dollars from the Emma mine ring for inducing Schenck to become a director, and that the draft was negotiated through their house. The firm says there is not one word of truth in the story.

The last mail from Iceland reports that five hundred inhabitants of the Westmanna Islands, a group lying to the south of Iceland, and belonging to Denmark, are probably dying of starvation. The fishermen there last year were unsuccessful, and the inhabitants, fearing that their food would not last them throughout the winter, sent to Iceland asking supplies. Accordingly a small quantity of supplies was dispatched about a month ago. However, a bottle was found on the coast of Iceland containing a letter, stating that the supplies on hand were only adequate for one week, and famine was inevitable. The dangerous seas during the winter months render communication with the Westmanna Islands almost impossible.

A special from Miranda says that King Alfonso was received at Estella with but slight enthusiasm. Carlists in the North are unanimous in defense of their local Fueros. The Alfonsoist Generals also deprecate agitation against the Fueros as hindering the pacification of the country. The Ministerial and Liberal newspapers of Madrid, however, contain daily attacks upon Fueros. The Government desires to adjourn the subject a year, when the conscription, from which the Basque Provinces have hitherto been exempt, will be extended to the whole kingdom. Prime Minister Canovas has decided to largely reduce the army expenses. Fifty battalions have already been disbanded. Eight thousand men, under General Campos, will remain distributed as garrisons, with flying columns throughout the Basque Provinces and Navarre. Twenty thousand soldiers will accompany the King on his entry into Madrid.

Norwich, Conn., March 9.—A fire at Danielsonville, Connecticut, destroyed the freight depot of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad passenger station, and block including postoffice, telegraph office, H. E. Lillinghast & Co's. store and a meat market. Loss not estimated.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The British Government Did not Demand General Schenck's Recall.

Great Excitement and Trouble Anticipated in the Black Hills.—Richard H. Dana Suffering from Vertigo.

NEW YORK, March 9.—A Herald special from London says, on the highest authority, "I can say, there is no foundation for the statement that the British Government demanded General Schenck's immediate recall. The Government never even intimated a wish for his recall."

Lord Derby has called on the Emma Mine Company to withdraw its suit against Robert C. Schenck, on the ground that the writ of arrest was served while Mr. Schenck held the office Ambassador, and was, therefore, illegal. The Company in deference to Lord Derby, immediately withdrew the writ, and have sent a letter to Mr. Schenck notifying him of the withdrawal. The Hear says Mr. Schenck's course in quitting England without taking leave of the Queen is unprecedented.

The Times says: "President Grant has returned to a custom as honorable to the United States as it is agreeable to other countries, in nominating R. H. Dana to succeed Mr. Schenck. An American Minister could bring no better credentials than the literary reputation of Mr. Dana."

A Boston dispatch says that Richard H. Dana, Jr., is suffering from a severe attack of vertigo, which prostrated him at church on Sunday. When the news of his nomination as Minister to England was announced, it is stated he viewed the position as one of the most honorable, and he felt its dignity; but before he could make up his mind on the question of acceptance, he must consult his friends.

GALVESTON, March 9.—A fatal encounter took place last night between Rane Holman, of the News office, and Eugene Sherrard, of the Christian Advocate. During the quarrel the latter drew a knife and stabbed Holman, the wounds eventuating in his death. Sherrard was wounded slightly by a pistol ball. Holman was a nephew of Colonel Flournoy. The affair has caused a great deal of excitement among the friends of the parties.

JERSEYVILLE, ILL., March 9.—The election passed off very gently, a full vote being polled. There were three tickets in the field—Democratic, Republican and Anti-licensing. Hon. R. M. Knapp, Democrat, for Mayor, was elected by 73 majority; for Alderman, First Ward, S. H. Bowman, Democrat, and William Hall, Opposition Democrat, were elected; Second Ward, L. Casavant and James Young, Democrats; Third Ward, E. L. H. Barry and Dr. Duhodaway, Democrats; Fourth Ward, James S. Daniels, Democrat. In the Fourth ward there was a tie between P. G. Gledhill, Opposition, and H. D. Fields, Democrat.

NEW YORK, March 9.—A special dispatch says about the time the Indians drove off the horses at Custer City, Wyoming territory, on the 4th instant, an emigrant train near Pleasant City was attacked. Every able-bodied man in that section has been enrolled, and a mounted party of whites, sixty in number, started at once in pursuit of the red skins who retreated in the direction of the Red Cloud agency. There is great excitement, and trouble is anticipated all through the Black Hills.

NEW ALBANY, IND., March 9.—A fire in Depaw College, caused a damage of \$13,000. About one thousand female students stampeded; none hurt.

CINCINNATI, March 9.—A fire at Kenton last evening, destroyed \$25,000 worth of property.

Remedy for the Small-Pox.—As there are rumors that there have been cases of this dreaded disease in this and other cities of Texas, the following recipe—which is said to be unfailing as a preventative or cure—is given by a correspondent of a California paper:

I herewith append a recipe which has been used to my knowledge in hundreds of cases. It will prevent or cure the small-pox, though the pittings are filling. When Jenner discovered the cow pox in England, the world of science hurried an avalanche of fame upon his head, but when the most scientific school of medicine in the world—that of Paris—published this recipe as a panacea for small-pox, it passed unheeded. It is as unfailing as fate, and conquers in every instance. It is harmless when taken by a well person. It will also cure scarlet fever. Here is the recipe as I have used it to cure the small-pox. When learned physicians said the patient must die if cured: Sulphate of zinc, one grain; fox-glove (digitalis), one grain; half a teaspoonful of sugar; mix with two tablespoonfuls of water. Take a teaspoonful every hour. Either disease will disappear in twelve hours. For a child smaller doses according to age. If you cannot use this there would be no need of pest houses. If you value your life use this recipe.

A negro named Bob Cardine was killed in Bell county last Wednesday night.

John Preston White.

Among the gratifying results of the election is the elevation to the new Court of Appeals of John Preston White, of Seguin, Guadalupe county, as one of the three Judges. He, with the noble-hearted Whitaker, of Corsicana—recently speaking, one of God's elect—and the heroic, one-legged, Christian soldier, Ector, of Marshall, are to compose this new and important tribunal in Texas. A friend today asked me: "Who is White?" I replied: "I will answer you in tomorrow's Dallas Herald that others may also know who he is."

John Preston White is a native of Abingdon, Washington county, Virginia, a collateral descendant, through his mother, of Patrick Henry, and a direct descendant of the immortal Colonel William Campbell, who commanded the volunteer citizen soldiery of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia and Tennessee at the glorious battle of King's Mountain on the 17th of October, 1780. The blood of the great orator, William C. Preston, courses through his veins.

On entering upon man's estate he cast his lot, many years ago, on the banks of the Guadalupe river, in the beautiful town of Seguin. Serving as District Attorney by the acclamation of the people, he abandoned his wife and home to enter the army in 1861 as a Captain of the boys of his county in Garland's 9th Texas Infantry. Like all his command he "went up" at Arkansas Post in the winter of 1862-3. After long confinement in the prison of the North, he resigned his place in the army, refused all offers of promotion, and at the close of the war returned home bankrupt in all but health and honor, two elements of wealth in which he was beautifully blessed.

Two years later he was appointed District Judge, a position he has honored, and now he represents, by the voice of the State, the people of Southwest Texas on the Court of Appeals.

Judge White is about thirty-six years of age, stands six feet in his boots, and is one of the finest looking men in the State. His intrinsic worth as a citizen is only equalled by his feminine modesty as a man. His intellect is in keeping with his lineage and the nobility of his nature. Those who know him best expect most of him, and have no fear that his career will be upward and onward. The people of Texas will soon be proud of Whitaker, Ector and White.

ONE WHO KNOWS THEM.

NOTES AND OPINIONS.

Hebrew Leader: There is a large share of common sense in the world's average judgment, after all. If it sees a man with ten commandments on his lips, and something quite different written all over his life, it will be apt to point to the discrepancy and utter some harsh criticisms, but who can blame it?

Chief Justice Ryan, of Wisconsin, would rather see a woman supporting her husband and children by honest labor at the wash-tub than sawing the air in a court room. Says the great Chief Justice: "Nature has tempered man as little for the judicial conflicts of the court room as for the physical conflicts of the battlefield. Womanhood is modeled for gentler and better things. And it is not the merits of the world who chiefly give employment to our profession. It has essentially and habitually to do with all that is selfish and extortionate, knavish and criminal, coarse and brutal, repulsive and obscene in human life."

A very distinguished lawyer of Richmond, who has passed the meridian of life, and has won renown as an orator and a jurist, was addressing a court recently, and was in the midst of a brilliant argument when he saw his wife—the idol of his heart—enter the room. He at once became confused, and concluded with some abruptness.

It was the first time his wife had heard him speak. Fearful that he would not make a decidedly convincing impression upon her, he who had triumphantly faced judges, juries, legislative assemblies, mass meetings, political conventions and the best of the liberal, succumbed, and before one who in his law for him would have seen only the genius of his speech, and whose criticism would have been fullest praise.—[Petersburg (Va.) Index.]

Charleston News and Courier: Some weeks since Governor Chamberlain received a request from a number of ladies in Kansas for a supply of palmetto leaves, sheaf, rice, moss, etc., for the decoration of a Southern table at a grand Lady Martha Washington tea party, to be held in that distant State. The requisition was filled, and the several packages forwarded without charge by the Baltimore steamer and Baltimore and Ohio road and were delivered to the ladies, who have acknowledged the safe arrival. Twenty years make a great difference in things; the shipments to Kansas then were not so harmless as moss and leaves, but thus the world moves and we move along with it, and we make no doubt the decoration of the South Carolina table will be a great object of attraction in Topeka as elsewhere, for there seems to be an increasing demand for these products of our soil everywhere North now-a-days.

London Spectator: The "Domestic Book" of England has at length appeared, and when its true character has been recognized will create an unusual amount of social and perhaps political interest. It is nominally a roll of every man in England who possesses an acre of her soil, covering every grade of proprietorship, from the mighty Duke of Northumberland, who possesses in a single county one hundred and eighty-one thousand acres of soil, yielding on an average nearly 21 an acre; or the Duke of Devonshire, with eighty-three thousand acres in Derbyshire alone; to the retired tradesman, who takes of the "grounds" of an acre and a half surrounding his Middlesex or Surrey villa. Every man who has a copy can tell at a glance how much land the neighboring magnate, or his own rival in the county, or the new purchaser who has just called upon him, possesses of the soil, and what the amount of his rent-roll would be if it were unbundled, both stated with official accuracy and clearness. The book shows that less than forty-three thousand persons are landowners in England in the political sense of the word.

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Whereas, said John W. Swindell, of Dallas county, Texas, has this day been made before me, by John W. Swindell, that J. P. Dromgoole is a non-resident of the State of Texas, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him; you are therefore commanded that you, by making publication of this suit in some newspaper printed in the county of Dallas, for four successive weeks before the return day hereof, summon said J. P. Dromgoole to be and appear before me, at my office, in the city of Dallas, Texas, on the 1st day of April A. D. 1876, to answer the complaint of the said John W. Swindell, for the sum of seventy-one dollars and seventy-one cents, balance due on account by said J. P. Dromgoole to John W. Swindell. Herein fail not, and of this writ make due return as the law directs. Given under my hand this 1st day of March A. D. 1876. J. P. PRECINCT NO. 1, DALLAS COUNTY.

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